

# Media Release

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## Get rid of old chemicals

The NSW Farmers' Association is encouraging farmers to take advantage of a chance to dispose of unwanted, unlabelled, mixed or out of date chemicals under the ChemClear Program.

NSW Farmers' Association Agricultural Chemicals Committee Chair Ian McColl says registrations will only be accepted until 4 July, 2008, so farmers should contact ChemClear immediately.

"I would urge everyone to take advantage of the opportunity to safely dispose of old and unwanted chemicals," Mr McColl said.

"This is the responsible approach environmentally, as well as maintaining a safe workplace on your farm, and it comes at a subsidised rate – it's a wonderful program," he said.

The NSW Government has provided ChemClear with a \$50, 000 grant to assist with the ChemClear stewardship program. The program was established in 2003 and has collected in excess of 112 tonne nationally

"We greatly appreciate the Government support to assist us in safely disposing of these potentially hazardous materials," Mr McColl said.

"Registrations are essential for collection in late July, so do call ChemClear to register your unwanted chemicals for collection and clean up your workplace and home," Mr McColl concluded.

ChemClear is an initiative of the National Farmers' Federation, CropLife Australia, Animal Health Alliance (Australia) and the Veterinary Manufacturer's and Distribution Association.

Registrations for this collection will close on 4 July, 2008. For registrations contact: 1800 008 182 or on line at [www.chemclear.com.au](http://www.chemclear.com.au)

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